

**Report to:** Audit Committee

**Date of meeting:** 16 March 2017

**Report of:** Head of Finance (shared services)

**Title:** Internal Audit Plans 2017/2018

**1.0 SUMMARY**

1.1 Attached are the proposed Internal Audit Plans for 2017/2018.

**2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 That the Committee approves the Watford Borough Council and Watford & Three Rivers Shared Services Internal Audit Plans for 2017/18 attached to this brief introduction.

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### 3.0 **DETAILS**

3.1 The SIAS 2017/18 Internal Audit Plan Report is attached at attachment 1 and sets out the programme of work to support the Council's wider assurance framework.

3.2 The Audit Plan for the Council is attached at Appendix A to the attachment, the Audit Plan for Shared Services is attached at Appendix B and the proposed timetable of the audits is at Appendix C to the attachment. The plans have been developed following detailed discussions with Heads of Services, the Head of Finance and the Leadership Team.

### 4.0 **IMPLICATIONS**

#### 4.1 **Financial**

4.1.1 Sufficient provision has been made in the 2017/18 revenue budget for the attached Audit Plans to be completed.

#### 4.2 **Legal Issues** (Monitoring Officer)

4.2.1 The Head of Democracy and Governance comments that there are no legal implications arising directly out of this report.

#### 4.3 **Equalities**

None Specific.

#### 4.4 **Potential Risks**

There are no risks associated with the decisions members are being asked to make.

### **ATTACHMENTS and APPENDICES**

Attachment 1 SIAS 2017/18 Internal Audit Plan Report

- Appendix A 2017/18 Audit Plan – Watford Borough Council
- Appendix B 2017/18 Audit Plan – Shared Services
- Appendix C Proposed timetable of start dates for the audits